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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting on Satellite Replacement Strategy Study,  
28 January 1980

PARTICIPANTS: NRO:  
RMS:

[Redacted]

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1. Background: The meeting was held as follow-up to 22 January 1980 on same subject. [Redacted]

2. Agreements/Actions:

Failure Models

-- NRO will ensure RMS understanding of satellite reliability functions, etc. but reserves on providing the detailed [Redacted] data required for a complete study of work-arounds.

-- NRO contact point is [Redacted]

-- RMS/[Redacted] will informally discuss the partially completed work-around study on "white" satellites with NRO contact point.

Cost Models

-- NRO will provide RMS with data needed to improve our understanding of their estimated costs including "general guidelines and rules of thumb."

-- It is okay for RMS to meet with appropriate NRO staff personnel to obtain such data on the various programs but RMS should make an effort to avoid taking up an excessive amount of NRO staff time.

-- RMS is encouraged to request costs of alternative options from the NRO rather than attempt to estimate them ourselves.

-- No specific contact point was discussed. It is assumed, however, that all requests should be coordinated with [Redacted]

Output Measures

-- NRO will coordinate on output measures using its members on the SIGINT committee or COMIREX as appropriate. [Redacted]

[Redacted]

3. Discussion:

25X1 -- [ ] had reviewed the draft MFR on the 22 January  
25X1 meeting with [ ] He said that it was reasonably  
accurate.

25X1 -- [ ] pointed out that the NRO methodology for  
handling replacement strategy issues was valid and appropriate.  
He recommended that RMS initially focus on understanding the NRO  
approach to these problems. Before developing a redundant RMS  
capability, RMS should consider requesting the appropriate data  
from the NRO since it was generally available but possibly in a  
somewhat different format. An extended discussion of the model  
(GAP) that NRO currently uses followed. [ ]

4. Coordination: This memo was shown to the participants and  
includes comments that have been supplied. [ ]



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